

## PATENT

Docket No. 54407US006

(formerly 54407USA6B.006)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Scott J. TUMAN et al.

Group Art Unit: 1762

Serial No.: 09/822,651

Examiner: Elena Tsoy

Confirmation No.: 9447

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

Filed: 30 March 2001

DEC 18 2006

For: WEB HAVING DISCRETE STEM REGIONS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

**Mail Stop RCE**  
 Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed 23 August 2006 and Advisory Action mailed 27 October 2006, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from 23 November 2006 to 23 December 2006.

Please charge PTO Deposit Account No. 13-4895 in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit any over-payment to PTO Deposit Account No. 13-4895.

**CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8:**

The undersigned hereby certifies that this paper is being transmitted by facsimile in accordance with 37 CFR §1.6(d) to the Patent and Trademark Office, addressed to **Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**, on this 18 day of December, 2006, at 8:11 p.m. (Central Time).

Signature: R. W. Raasch  
 Name: Kevin W. Raasch

18 DECEMBER 2006

Date

Respectfully submitted

By  
 Mueting, Raasch & Gebhardt, P.A.  
 P.O. Box 581415  
 Minneapolis, MN 55458-1415  
 Phone: (612)305-1220  
 Facsimile: (612)305-1228  
 Customer Number 26813

12/19/2006 NNGUYEN1 00000065 134895 09822651

02 FC:1251

128.00 DA

By: K.W. Raasch

Kevin W. Raasch  
 Reg. No. 35,651  
 Direct Dial (612)305-1218